

## ArizonaSERVES Foster Care Action Plan

**NEED:** Foster parents to care and support children who may not be able to safely remain in their homes; Community support for families who are caring for foster children.

Start Date	Action/Purpose	Responsible Team Member/Next Steps	Completion Date
8/13/10	Promoting outreach & maximizing resources	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Invitation to provide opening remarks at Arizona Interfaith Coalition for Foster Children and Families (AICFCF) conference and participate in a panel discussion about ArizonaSERVES at the State Capitol</li> <li>2. Create an overview that can be used as a handout and webpage introduction of the issue to engage the faith community; obtain team feedback</li> <li>3. Investigate possibility of adding an email registration tool on the website</li> <li>4. Team will report outreach efforts to Chuck</li> <li>5. Team members will engage in discussion about the issue, informally and by request</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 10/21/10</li> <li>2. 11/9/10</li> <li>3. 12/17/10</li> <li>4. Ongoing</li> <li>5. Ongoing</li> </ol>
9/28/10	Identify needs and ways to leverage community resources to improve systems of services	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Invite a guest speaker to learn background information on the issue</li> <li>2. Obtain updated information from DES regarding the foster children statistics for use in the handout and goals</li> <li>3. The team will talk with Christian Family Care Agency re how the faith community can connect to this issue, recruitment successes and effective resources</li> <li>4. Collaborate with upcoming Arizona CityFest Family Well-Being Impact Day</li> <li>5. Collaborate with upcoming the Focus on the Family efforts</li> <li>6. Team members will seek information and talk to organizations providing services</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 9/28/10</li> <li>2. 10/22/10</li> <li>3. 11/9/10</li> <li>4. 3/19/11</li> <li>5. 2011</li> <li>6. Ongoing</li> </ol>
3/4/10	Provide recommendations for inclusion on ArizonaSERVES website	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Members will review draft toolkit and provide feedback</li> <li>2. Launch new issue page and full toolkit</li> <li>3. Add organizations that license or assist foster families; this might include interactive mapping</li> <li>4. Provide website visitor "pathways to connection" specific to visitor type (faith-based organization, community organization, individual)</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 11/9/10</li> <li>2. 12/17/10</li> <li>3. Apr-Jun 2011</li> <li>4. Apr-Jun 2011</li> </ol>
August 2010	Promote service and volunteerism	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Outreach to Valley Pastor's of Influence Network</li> <li>2. Team members will engage in informal conversations and personal invitations to faith based groups</li> <li>3. All members will continually identify influential pastors seeking to champion this issue</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dec 2010</li> <li>2. Ongoing</li> <li>3. Ongoing</li> </ol>
Oct 2010	Improve collaborations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All members will seek opportunities for the Task Force to participate in existing events/activities (AICFCF conference; Gov's Service and Volunteerism conference, Cityfest Impact Day, etc.)</li> <li>2. Team will support and engage with existing and new Foster Care faith networks</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ongoing</li> <li>2. Ongoing</li> </ol>